GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Service – M.A. & U.D. Dept., - ACB - Vijayawada Municipal Corporation – Allegations of corruption by encouraging unauthorised constructions by violating rules against Town Planning officials - Initiation of Disciplinary Proceedings against Sri Setty Dharma Rao, Deputy City Planner, under Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charges - Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1162 **Dated: 23-10-2025**

Read the following:-

1. From the DG, ACB, Vijayawada in Lr.C.No.37/RCO-VKI/2022-S.9, Dated 27-03-2025.
2. G.O.Rt.No.461 MA&UD (Vig.II) Dept., dt.14.05.2025.
3. From the DG, ACB, Vijayawada in Lr.C.No.37/RCO-VKI/2022-S.9, Dated 19.08.2025.

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O R D E R:

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri Setty Dharma Rao, Deputy City Planner, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule-20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The statement of articles of charges and statement of imputations of misconduct and misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed Annexures I & II. A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges proposed to be sustained are also enclosed in Annexures III & IV.

3. Sri Setty Dharma Rao, Deputy City Planner, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation, is directed to submit his written statement of defence within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Sri Setty Dharma Rao is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of charge.

5. Sri Setty Dharma Rao is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri Setty Dharma Rao is invited to Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from

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another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri Setty Dharma Rao is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance, and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The Director of Town and Country Planning, A.P., Mangalagiri is requested to serve the charge Memo to the charged officer along with copies of documents as per Annexures and furnish the dated acknowledgement. If dated acknowledgement is not received in the stipulated time, they are requested to propose for initiation of disciplinary action against the responsible official and furnish the draft article of charges against them without any delay.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S. SURESH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Setty Dharma Rao, the then Deputy City Planner, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation through the DTCP, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Director of Town and Country Planning, A.P., Mangalagiri.

Copy to:
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Vijayawada.
The RDDTP, Rajamahendravaram.
The Secretary, APVC, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Commissioner, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation.
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SECTION OFFICER